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Coffee, convicts, Cash and great comedy



VICKI BROOKER

Review Staff

NEVER TRUST A CROOK! That's what escaped convict Larry (Shaun Sheplaw, right) tells fellow felon Bob (Kelly Burke), when he complains that the watch he bought from a trench coated peddler wasn't keeping very good time, and that's a big problem, since the two are in a rush to leave town with the loot after their Fort Macleod bank heist.

Vicki Brooker photo

Just hours after RCMP apprehended an escaped convict from the Edmonton Institution near St. Paul, two other escaped convicts ambled onstage at the Elk Point Arts and Leisure Centre to take starring roles in the first performance of this year's Elk Point Community Choir dinner theatre presentation, "A Day at the Java Shop and Greyhound Bus Depot."

Seasoned dinner theatre veteran Shaun Sheplaw, starring as Bob (and sometimes Lucy) and F. G. Miller High School teacher Kelly Burke, starring as Bob (and sometimes Angel) escaped the Lethbridge pen in a laundry cart and find themselves in some serious hot water when they try to carry out a heist plot started years earlier at the bus depot by a fellow inmate.

Three friendly waitresses, Josie (Shayla Cameron), Linda (Velma Hudson) and Maxine (Doris Osinchuk), a Mexican (or maybe Danish) busgirl, Chantico (Dorothy Wuola), Greyhound driver Annie (Dixie Coleman), garage mechanics Kevin (Levi Jennings) and Mac (Erik Sjolín), not-so-hard-working ranchers Leroy (Udo Mueller) and Bill (Kendal Snyder), new-in-town twins Mary (Kamryn Coleman) and Sherri (Kiera Burke) and RCMP officers Larsen (John Sieben) and the chief (John Gottenbos), who also moonlights as a peddler, make their visit very interesting for the would-be robbers... and that's even before famous country singer Johnny Cash (Bert Poulin) drops in to get his ailing tour bus repaired.

The play is set in the 1960s in beautiful downtown Fort Macleod and was written by Roger Congrove, who wove some hit songs of Patsy Cline and Johnny Cash into the script, with Community Choir director Udo Mueller adding a couple of his own originals.

The play was directed and produced by Barb Buryn. Saturday's show was the first of five performances for this year's dinner theatre, which marks 24 years for the Community Choir's entertaining and popular annual tradition. Tickets for the remaining performances are still available.

Chamber support for Midget D Hockey Provincials

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Elk Point Chamber of Commerce started off 2017 in January by hearing the exciting news that Elk Point Minor Hockey would be hosting the Midget D Provincial Hockey Tournament. At that point, the message sent out was that of the major opportunity this would give Elk Point businesses in terms of providing accommodations, meals, fuel and shopping for the influx of visitors.

At last week's meeting, the Chamber

agreed to contribute the ingredients for a pancake breakfast at the A. G. Ross Arena, with volunteers from the Friends of the Elk Point Library preparing and serving the meal.

Local businesses are encouraged to support the tournament in any way they can, and to give a warm welcome to the players and their families from across the province that will attend the tournament.

Past president Jonny Nielsen emphasized the need to form a committee involving all chamber members to

attend brainstorming sessions on a regular basis to explore ways to keep the town alive, and said that this is something that economic development committees in the past have twice failed to do. He offered to head this type of committee and said he knows of a number of businesses interested in taking part.

Town of Elk Point CAO Ken Gwozd said the province has told all municipalities that they must update their municipal development plans and that the NDP government wants to establish an Intermunicipal Collaboration

Framework between adjoining municipalities. He said this takes the intermunicipal development plans a step further.

Chamber members Oralee Williams and Jena Colbourne suggested that an open house be held to brainstorm in preparation to put together goals and a vision of what Elk Point needs in the near future and in the next 25 years. This would need to be a structured session with a facilitator, and Williams suggested contacting Heather Nickel of Alberta Community Development regarding facilitation.

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Snow for the show!

VICKI BROOKER
Review Staff

There's no fun like snow fun for sledding enthusiasts, and if the Elk Point TrailRiders started off Saturday a tiny bit concerned that snowfall and strong winds might take a toll on attendance at their annual Vintage Snowmobile Show and Shine and its accompanying trail ride, their fears soon faded as 45 sleds lined up on Elk Point's Iron Horse Trail Staging Area.

Snowmobiling fans of all ages checked out the display of close to a half-century of snowmobile development, told their stories of winter adventures and restoration repairs. A team of judges from the club toured the lineup prior to the trail ride departure to choose their favourites, and visitors to the show were soon choosing their own top three for the People's Choice award.

Sledders chowed down on hot dogs and chili and warmed up with coffee in the TrailRiders' cabin before more than half of them cranked up their machines, pulled on their helmets and hit the Iron Horse for an afternoon ride to Lindbergh and back, as the show committee counted votes and determined the winners.

Bob Myroniuk topped the Judges' Choice with his 1978 SkiDoo Blizzard, Cameron Appleton placing second with one of his three entries, a 1976 Arctic Cat Pantera. Jerry Kallal was a winner in both competitions, placing third on the Judges' list with his 1970 Ski Doo 292 TNT, and first in the People's Choice with a 1971 Polaris TX. Bernie Kruke was the People's second choice with a rare 1971 MotoSki Mini Ski, while Chris Swan was third with a 1977 STX 440.

Swan, age 73, also took home the award for the oldest driver, while 11-year-old Carson Sarauer was the youngest participant. Jordan Carnell had the dubious honour of receiving the Hard Luck trophy, as the only driver to encounter trouble on the trail during this year's event.

Elk Point RCMP investigate armed robbery

ELK POINT RCMP

At approximately 1:45 p.m. on Sunday, Elk Point RCMP responded to an armed robbery at a gas station in Lindbergh. Two males entered the business in disguise, demanded money and brandished what a witness believed to be a firearm. The two suspects fled the gas station in a vehicle with an undisclosed amount of money. No one was harmed.

The driver of the suspect vehicle is described as approximately 5'8"- 5'10", wearing a black hoodie with light coloured sleeves, blue jeans and beige or white boots. The second suspect is described as approximately 5'8"- 5'10, wearing a purple hoodie, purple sweat pants and brown shoes. The vehicle is described as a grey Chevrolet Cruze (2015 or newer) with ark tinted windows.

Elk Point RCMP made patrols in the area but were unable to locate the suspects.

A short time later the same suspect vehicle was located driving in the Vermilion area by police. The suspect vehicle fled at a high rate of speed and a pursuit was called off due to public safety.

Elk Point RCMP are requesting anyone with information regarding this matter to contact them at 780-724-3964 or call your local police. If you want to remain anonymous, you can contact Crime Stoppers by phone at 1-800-222-8477 (TIPS), by internet at www.tipsubmit.com, or by SMS (check your local Crime Stoppers www.crimestoppers.ab.ca for instructions).

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NO SHORTAGE OF SLEDS - a snowy day was just right for snowmobiling fans, who brought 45 machines to the Elk Point TrailRiders show and shine.



ON DISPLAY - Snowmobiles of all ages and conditions brightened up the landscape on a snowy Saturday.



SECOND IN THE PEOPLE'S CHOICE - a rare 1971 MotoSki Mini Ski.

**Don't forget:
Daylight Saving
Time starts Sunday!**

Municipalities support Canada Day events

VICKI BROOKER
Review Staff

Funding commitments for Canada Day were announced at the planning committee's Feb. 21 meeting, with a \$6,000 pledge from the Town of Elk Point for entertainment matching a \$6,000 pledge from the County of St. Paul for the fireworks, and \$2,000 committed by the Early Childhood Development Committee to go toward the children's activities.

The entertainment will include illusionist and impressionist Greg T, who will do one 45-minute set at the afternoon stage performance and another 45-minute set during the evening, and the Mid Life Crisis band for the evening dance. Other planned afternoon performers include vocalist Jorja Theriault, fiddler Grayson Durocher, Métis dancers and Ukrainian dancers.

In addition to bounce houses, children's activities will include face painting and a three-hour visit from a clown and balloon artist. Options for teen activities will be announced at the February meeting.

Parade details are coming together, with Diane Peifer of the Elk Point Community Lions stating that that group needs a longer time for judging. Lineup will now begin at 9:30 a.m., with only entries on site by 10 a.m. qualifying to be judged, although latecomers are still welcome to be part of the parade. The children's bike parade participants, however, are encouraged to come later, and

to be on site by 10:30 a.m. Categories for this year's parade will be: Kids' Clubs and Organizations, Adult Clubs and Organizations, Small Businesses, Industry, and Vintage Vehicles.

Other features of the day will be the Ukrainian Orthodox Church's pyrohy dinner at the Seniors' Recreation Centre, a dog agility display by members of the Elk Point 4-H Multi Club, which will also have their other projects on display, an outdoor home business trade fair and food vendors. A Loopyball event is also in the planning stages. There will not be an outdoor beer garden unless a group comes forward to host it by the next Canada Day meeting.

The Famous in a Small Town talent competition will have one winner and one challenge trophy. The judges will vote down to a top three, who will receive a percentage of the entry fees. The crowd will vote, via cheering and applause, for the trophy winner.

The Biggest High School Reunion is getting good response. Latest developments on that front include a call for high school sweethearts who went on to get married and are still together, and best friends who are still in contact. A photo booth, and possibly a background for class pictures, is also part of the plans, with organizers tracking down props with a high school theme, from school jackets to textbooks, giant pencils and a dunce cap!

The Elk Point Canada Day Committee's next meeting goes March 21 at 6 p.m.

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Art, science share the spotlight at EPE Science Fair

VICKI BROOKER
Review Staff

Elk Point Elementary School opened its doors on Tuesday night to families and friends who viewed 23 outstanding projects displayed by a total of 33 students from Grades 3 to 6, plus added attractions that for the first time, included walls filled with art projects created by students from kindergarten to Grade 6, and three class displays.

Students in each grade vied for Awards of Excellence, with eight of these awards given out this year.



FINGERPRINTED - Charlotte Tkachuk has her fingerprint taken at the Evidence and Investigation display by Dae Smereka and Elisha Sears.

Robyn Urquhart, with a very interesting display on the difference in the body parts of whales and sharks and Duane Rivera, who compared the effect of commercial and natural fertilizer on growing plants, were the winners in the Grade 3 division. Other Grade 3 entrants were Anna Henderson, who demonstrated how to separate salt from salt water, Ava Hillebrand, who explored the world of colours, Charlotte Henderson and Kayl Warawa who explained how avalanches happen, Vanessa Ginez who built a working model of a volcano and Linkoln Pankiw who showed off his knowledge of power.

Grade 4 winners were Ashley Lecopoy and Olivia Youngchief with their exploration of sound, and Aedan Antonio with his demonstration of 'Inverted Images.' Felicity Winchester and Dakota Young displayed the workings of lava lamps, while Brendon Haesh-Baker and Trettyn Malo drew quite a crowd with the repeated eruptions of their volcano.

Brandon Breen and Reilly Garnett-Bennett created a pop dispenser and Ryan Urquhart answered the question, "Can homemade paper armor perform as well as steel?" to win the Grade 5 Awards of Excellence. Ethan Castle-Wasson's slime volcano, Camryn Tchir and Emily Kowal-King's slime, Shairenne Ginez's portrayal of Canada and Zxayven Pelech's 'Science of Cooking' were other well-researched and well-executed Grade 5 displays.

Grade 6 student Jake Fontaine won an Award of Excellence for his display on leukemia, with the other award going to Elisha Sears and Dae Smereka for their 'Evidence and Inspection'. Autumn Cameron and Lillyann Swedgan exhibited their take on slime, Wyatt Pavoll and Cory Munro had an intriguing experiment entitled 'Lemon Volcanoes,' Kyra Ockerman and Nathaniel Cousins explored the solar system and Casey Urquhart focused on what friction does in the other Grade 6 displays.

The group displays included a Grade 3 Science and Social Studies project on rocks and minerals, the Grade 4A novel study project on 'The Rats of Nimh' and Grade 5 created some great tinfoil sculptures.



SCIENCE OF SEA CREATURES - Robyn Urquhart explained the difference in the body parts of whales and sharks to win a Grade 3 award.

Lynn Urquhart photo



AVALANCHE WARNING! Kayl Warawa and Charlotte Henderson demonstrate how an avalanche is formed and starts moving.



FEEDING THE VOLCANO - Grade 4 students Brendon Haesh-Baker and Trettyn Malo load baking soda into their volcano to get the action going.



IT WORKS LIKE THIS - Aedan Antonio demonstrates his Award of Excellence winning Inverted Images device for Grade 2B teacher Charlotte Tkachuk.

Elk Point Community Choir
presents the Dinner Theatre

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Play by Roger Cosgrove

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- March 6th at Heritage Homes Phase 2 from 1:30pm-3:30pm
- March 9th at Sunnyside from 9:30am-11:30am
- March 13th in Ashmont from 9:30am-11:30am at the Seniors Lodge
- March 13th in Malliaig from 1:30pm-3:30pm at the Seniors Centre
- March 15th in Elk Point 9:30am-11:30am at the Heritage Lodge
- March 15th at the Elk Point FCSS Office from 1:30pm-3:30pm

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EDITORIAL

R.I.P., Steve

The management and staff of the Elk Point Review extends our sympathies to the family of Steve Andrishak on his recent passing.

Steve's column, "Our Past," was part of this page for several years, and was much enjoyed by our readers as he kept Elk Point's history fresh in our minds.

YOUR VIEWS

Mourning the loss of United Church

To the Editor:

RE: Elk Point United Church closure

It was with deep sadness that we received word of the closure of Elk Point United Church. The church and its membership have been central in the Elk Point community. Since it was established in 1951 United Church Camp Whitney has been the benefactor of this church and the town. Through donations, perennial volunteer support and goodwill, we have become an integral part of the Elk Point region through this small but mighty church.

In recent memory, members of this church provided support to one of our biggest ventures, the building of our new cabins. Through people like Donna and Larry Babcock, Donna and Paul Chamberland, Shirley Kvill and so many others in the church, we have thrived- blessed by this special connection with Elk Point. The church hosted one its last ever community suppers in Elk Point as a fundraiser for our cabins. Elk Point United Church will always have a special place in Camp Whitney's heart.

We mourn the loss of this vital church, but welcome the continued connection with its people and its community.

Blessings,
 Jim (James) Belliveau
 Chair, The Official Board of United Church Camp Whitney.

RECREATION CORNER

Congratulations Crusaders!

recreation@elkpoint.ca
 Review Contributor

Congratulations to the F. G. Miller Senior Girls basketball team in their Championship! WTG! There's been a lot of success stories in Elk Point minor sports lately. Along with the girls' basketball team, the Avalanche can boast this week. Atom Avalanche are headed to Provincials and the Midget Avalanche finished first in their league, congrats!

The Midgets are hosting Provincials March 24-27, which is expected to bring in 500+ people to our town. There are some great opportunities to get your business' name out there, for minimal cost. For example, have you thought of putting a coupon or 2-for-1 deal in the swag bags that go out to every kid? Parents typically get their hands on the bags, so it doesn't even have to be something directed at the teens. There are also opportunities to donate great silent auction items or to volunteer at the event.

Reminder to all non-profits: the community grant application for the Town's funding, is due on March 16 at 12 Noon. If you have any questions regarding this grant or other funding opportunities, feel free to call/text 780-207-5898 or email recreation@elkpoint.ca.



WAY BACK WHEN...

Elk Point United Church and its predecessors

B. SUMPTON & I BOROWSKY
 From Elk Point Reflections, 1977

The settlers who arrived in the Elk Point area from 1907 on were mainly Protestant-Lutheran, Presbyterian, Methodist, Anglican and Ukrainian Catholics. In September of 1910 an Anglican Church building was started in Elk Point by C.D. Smith, J.C. Lambright, Earl Bullis and George Shortridge. The building was never completed due, no doubt, to lack of finances.

In 1911 Mr. W. Hobden came west as a Presbyterian missionary to the Hopkins area. He travelled on horseback throughout the area, holding services.

Mrs. C.D. Smith tells in a letter that the Presbyterian Society sent out a college student, Mr. Orton, who preached every Sunday during the summer at the different homes in the settlement. Mr. Hustler, a medical student teaching at Paramount during his summer vacation organized the first Sunday School where Elk Point now stands. He lived in a tent in Charlie Hood's yard and rode a bicycle to school. In 1910 the Elk Point School was built and service was held there. The first church service was conducted by two settlers, Billy Wolfe and Mr. Wm. Ramsbottom.

Excerpts from the 1909 and 1910 *Vermilion Standard* tell of Rev. M. Thompson preaching at J.D. Hunter's home with a good attendance. Also Rev. Wm. Simon of Vermilion and Rev. Reid, overseer for Alberta, held service. These ministers were available for weddings, funerals and baptisms, travelling on horseback or by horse and buggy. Settlers were always glad to "put up" the minister overnight, give him good meals, and care for his horse.

Church was not only a religious gathering but also a time for visiting, learning the news of the district and

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discussing problems.

In 1911, Mr. Harry Day, an Anglican missionary, came to Elk Point from Vermilion. He served the community until his death.

In 1918 Rev. J.B. Lorentzen, a Lutheran, became the first resident minister in Elk Point.

A small church was built during 1921. It was constructed of native lumber and largely by volunteer labor. This building served until the spring of 1928, when it was destroyed by fire. A new church was built on the same site. In 1927 the manse was built. Among those who erected these two buildings were George Shortridge, Helge Hesselgren, Rev. Harry Day, Orb Fish, George Bartling, Jesse Pool and Grant Arnold.

The first resident Presbyterian minister was Rev. James Seaton, who stayed about two years.

He was followed by Rev. Reg Smith. He and his bride were from England. They organized Girl Guides and Boy Scout groups, visited everyone in the district, helped in all community projects, and were respected and loved by all. They left to do missionary work in British Guiana, where Mr. Smith died of typhoid.

Mr. Whaley was the next incumbent, from 1931 to 1934.. C.G.I.T. flourished in his time here. Records indicate that on September 29, 1933, seventeen girls met with leader Hazel Nelson to form a group. This group later increased in size to include 29twenty-nine girls. The first officers recorded were president - Vivian Flanders; vice-pres. - Ida Markstad; secretary - Myrtle Nelson; treasurer - Ann Miller. The group was known as the Winona group.

In 1934 Rev. Sam Marshall came to Elk Point. He was a real builder, a good visitor, and excellent preacher, and was thoroughly liked by the whole community. He organized the choir, equipped the church with pews and pulpit, did a lot of cement work around the front of the church itself, and raised money for church purposes by several successful carnivals He stayed for five years. Mrs. Marshall had a beautiful soprano voice which she used to improve greatly the musical service of worship. Mr. Marshall was succeeded by Rev. C.R Corcoran. Mrs. Corcoran was an ardent church worker..

(To be continued next week)

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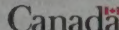
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St. Michael's hosts World Day of Prayer

VICKI BROOKER
Review Staff

The 2017 World Day of Prayer ecumenical service was a perfect fit for the Elk Point worshippers, with this year's service written by the women of the Philippines, the homeland of a number of today's Elk Point residents, including those who took part in the service.

The service was led by Theresa McNamara, who welcomed everyone to St. Michael's Roman Catholic Church on Friday evening, and gave them some background information on the Southeast Asian nation that is made up of 7,107 islands and is located in the Pacific Ring of Fire, close to the equator, an area prone to earthquakes and typhoons. The first humans are believed to have arrived there at least 67,000 years ago, but the first recorded visitor from the western world was Ferdinand Magellan in 1521. The Philippine Republic is an independent nation, where Christianity is the major religion, with 80 per cent of the population being Roman Catholic, as the result of Spanish colonization. It is among the largest migrant countries of origin in the world, and many of its women take on the role of breadwinner, going to work abroad, where they remain vulnerable to exploitation, violence and discrimination. Even in their own country, which has had two woman presidents, women are discriminated against and treated as subordinates in the home, in church and in society, the majority remaining poor and vulnerable to abuse and exploitation.

Shirley Kvill and Elda Magnusson invited the congregation to meditate on this year's World Day of Prayer theme, "Am I Being Unfair to You?" and led them in giving thanks to God.

The voices from women in the Philippines seeking economic justice were read by three local Filipino women, Sheena, Josie and Lilibeth Panganiban. Sheena told the stories of an orphan forced to work almost 24/7 without days off as an all-around domestic worker to send her younger siblings to school, but did not get paid for her work until she won a case against her employer. Josie told of a sugar farm worker who works there only two days a week and supplements her income by selling fish balls and pearl coolers, doing laundry for other families and selling soap and toothpaste in the streets. Lilibeth told the story of a widowed senior with three married children who lost her home and lost her shop and home in a typhoon and now lives in a makeshift hut with her neighbor, sharing food and relying on donations of aid.

The ladies sang The Lord's Prayer in the language of the Philippines, followed by Mary Bezpalko and Marlene Lakusta who read from Matthew 20:1 - 16. Readers Marie Srdic, Lesia Porcina, Armand Houle, Val Goulet and Steven Rolheiser took part in a group reflection activity based on the celebration's theme.

Two local Filipino women then told their stories of coming to Canada, and the changes this has made in their lives.

Josie Panganiban is a mother, a teacher and a grandmother of two, age 55. She graduated with a Bachelor of Arts degree but found that being a teacher and a full time mother in the Philippines was not enough to sustain her family's needs, "So I decided to apply as a caregiver in Canada." Arriving in Canada 10 years ago this month, she became a live-in caregiver or nanny to a Beaumont couple with two children, also doing household chores, as the couple both

worked full time.

"Life for me here in Canada was not as easy at the time. How many adjustments, like culture, friends, foods and missing my family a lot, lots of tears, the feeling of being away from home, my kids and my husband. But I was so lucky to have a great employer, who could understand my shortcomings, patiently teaching and supporting me. In short, I found a new home and called them my 'first Canadian family.'"

After a year, the family moved to Vancouver and she didn't hesitate to go with them to complete her 24-month contract, and says, "After my two years living and working with this extra-supportive family, it was heartbreaking to say goodbye. But my life must go on." After a month, she moved to Elk Point where her younger sister and her family lived, and applied as a childcare assistant to Play2Learn Daycare, and immediately started working. "Kids are my passion and until now, I have stayed in this kind of job."

It took five years of waiting before she sponsored her family back in the Philippines to come to Canada. They arrived in January, 2012 and the family rented the basement of her sister's house for eight months before buying their

own property.

"I am happy and proud to present to you my answered prayer, my family," she said, introducing her husband, who works in the oil patch, her oldest son, with a BSc degree, who has worked at E-Can for four years and completed his third class Power Engineering at Portage College, winning Student of the Year and other awards, her younger son, an accomplished pianist and who has now finished his third year in computer engineering, her daughter Sheena, an online student and currently working in a local pharmacy, her daughters-in-law Beth and Dian and her grandsons.

Tess Basan, who started her life in Canada working for McNamara's son and daughter-in-law as a nanny, also told her story and said, "Now I live my life in my own small house" in a community where "everyone is helping one another."

Shairrenne and Vanessa Ginez, Lauren Smith and Irwin Panganiban led the Prayer of Intercession, followed by the final prayer and a benediction pronounced by Father Gerard Gauthier and Filipino priest Father Jack Diaz.

A feast of traditional Filipino dishes following the service added another special touch to the evening.

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FRIDAY, MARCH, 10

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Roast Beef Dinner
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Yorkshire Pudding



'DON'T MIND HIM, HE'S HARMLESS' - Rancher Bill (Kendal Snyder) tells waitress Maxine (Doris Osinchuk) after his neighbor Leroy (Udo Mueller) attempted to get a date with the totally uninterested Maxine in the Elk Point Community Choir's dinner theatre debut on Saturday.

NATURAL RESOURCES MARCH 2017



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Elk Point's ladies of finance support Pink Day

Vicki Brooker photos



TD Canada Trust's Lorry Fleming, branch manager Oralee Williams, April Gardner and Erin Drolet (above, left to right) joined the staff at Elk Point's other two financial institutions to give wholehearted support to Pink Day on Feb. 22, by dressing in pink to support kindness and put an end to bullying. At left are branch manager Jennifer Dallaire and Deena Smith from Servus Credit Union's Elk Point Branch, while below are the ATB Financial crew, left to right: Kristen Danyluk, Brianne Greening, branch manager Carla Ganske, Lacy Smith and Faye Poitras.



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FGM Senior Girls bring home SPAA banner

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In a tight, down to the wire afternoon game, Glendon and F.G. Miller tipped off for the senior girls' SPAA basketball championship game. F.G. Miller pulled ahead early and held on to a slight lead throughout most of the game, winning 37-31.

The first half of the game was extremely close with both teams trading baskets back and forth. F.G. Miller's defensive game proved to be extremely tough, and Glendon's best offensive efforts seemed to fall short on many drives. Glendon had a lot more possession time but couldn't capitalize on enough chances to take a serious lead or provide a major offensive threat.

The second quarter in particular came down to a battle between F.G. Miller's defense and Glendon's offense. By the time the buzzer for the first half sounded, F.G. Miller had a three-point lead as the scoreboard read 13-10.

Glendon's desperation showed during the second half, and a lot of opportunities were spent, and lost, on long three-point shots and intercepted passes. F.G. Miller took advantage of this and, on more than occasion, stretched their lead to ten or more points.

But Glendon bounced back often,

preventing the game from pulling too far ahead. Down by nine points with just two minutes left, Glendon put forward a serious offensive push that saw them draw within two baskets of F.G. Miller, but once again, their offense wasn't able to penetrate deep enough and F.G. Miller was able to hold on and win with a seven-point lead.

Medals were awarded to both teams after the game, and F.G. Miller team captain Vanessa Ockerman had good things to say about her team.

"A big part of our plan for the game was our defense. We practice that a lot, and I think that all of the girls on our team made a really good team effort today. We didn't panic when it was close, and when we had the opportunity to get ahead, we did."

Jon Randall, the athletic director at F.G. Miller and team coach admitted that though his team played well, the game came down to the wire.

"It was a pretty tough game and there was lots of stuff going both ways," said Randall. "I think it came down to who wanted to battle harder, and that's how we came out on top. Learning when to settle back and play strong defensively, and knowing when to attack; those have been our key strengths all season."

Glendon and F.G. Miller will both be headed to zones.



Jean Ockerman photo

END OF A BANNER SEASON - F. G. Miller Crusaders proudly display their St. Paul Athletic Association Senior Girls Basketball banner after last week's final victory over Glendon



HOST TEAM TAKES SILVER - F. G. Miller Junior Boys finished second to Racette Raiders in the SPAA Basketball final held at FGM on Thursday with a great crowd from both schools cheering on their favourites.

Fourth win eludes Elks

VICKI BROOKER
Review Staff

Going into the weekend with a three-games-to-one lead was no guarantee of success for the Elk Point Elks in their semi-final playoff round, as Hillmond Hitmen lived up to their name and sent the series to a seventh game with wins in both Elk Point on Friday night and in Hillmond on Saturday night.

The fifth game in the series saw a huge crowd of hometown and visiting fans pack the A. G. Ross Arena for a night of fast-paced action that saw both the Elks' Paul Boulianne and Hillmond's goalie in top form, resulting in a scoreless first period. The Elks opened the scoring just short of 11 minutes later, Dyson Karbashewski assisted by Jordyn Wozniak and Zach Zarowny, and added a second goal exactly eight minutes later, Myles Whitford assisted by Sean Joly, to send the Elks to the break with a 2-0 lead and hopes for a series win.

The third period saw the home team's confidence waver as the Hitmen collected five goals, three of them on power plays, in the first 16 minutes. The Elks added a third goal with 2:20 left on the clock, Matthew Boulianne assisted by Chevy Botting and Devin Moneta. The Elks then pulled their goalie, Hillmond lost two men to the penalty box and Boulianne scored another for the Elks, this time unassisted, with just 12 seconds to go, those seconds ticking by without a tying goal hitting its mark, the final score 5-4 in Hillmond's favour.

Saturday night's visit to Hillmond still didn't end the series. The first period ended with the score at 1-1, both goals scored in the final two and a half minutes, Boulianne assisted by Justin Nattress to tie the score. Hillmond added two more in the second and one more early in the third, that goal answered by Elk Point's second of the evening, scored by Botting with a helper from Moneta. Hillmond added their final goal with 16 seconds on the clock for a 5-2 victory.

That brought the series back to Elk Point for game seven, with the bruised and battered Elks, with some key players out on injuries putting on their game faces for one last battle. And a battle it was, with Hillmond up 2-0 after one period and adding another five in the second. The Elks fought back and eventually hit the scoreboard early in the third, with a goal by Zach Zarowny, assisted by Myles Whitford. Justin Nattress scored the final game of the series three minutes later, assisted by affiliated player Jordan Hogan, but additional attempts at shrinking the gap were all deflected by Hillmond's netminder, bringing the Elks playoff run to an end. Hillmond now goes on to the league finals against Wainwright Rustlers.



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Melinda Henderson photo

Minor hockey highlights

ELK POINT HOCKEY MOMS
Review Contributors

Christine Graus reports that the **Midget Avalanche** racked up four goals in the first period of Friday night's opening game of their two-game, total-point league playoff series against Frog Lake T-Birds, Nick Anderson getting a good start on his eventual hat trick with a pair and singles coming from Cad Poirtras and Brody Odgaard, with Odgaard, Poirtras, Anderson and Warren Ference providing the assists. Shayden Abraham, assisted by D'areh Gadwa and Ethan Tremblay, assisted by Gadwa and Dean Quinney put Frog Lake on the scoreboard in the second. Anderson's unassisted hat trick goal and a goal by Odgaard, assisted by Poirtras, increased the Avalanche lead before Frog Lake scored three goals in just over a minute in a

valiant attempt to catch up, Kache Waskahat assisted by Gadwa, Shayden Abraham unassisted and Peter Horse assisted by Gadwa and Quinney. Additional scoring attempts by both teams failed, with the final score remaining at 6-5 for the Avalanche. Game 2 will be played Tuesday in Frog Lake and if Game 3 is required, it will be back in Elk Point on Thursday night at 6:45.

Our playdowns for the Zone 2 Provincial Banner are total points over two games with Game 1 on Saturday, March 11 in Smoky Lake at 4:45 p.m. and Game 2 back in Elk Point on Sunday, March 12 at 3:00 p.m.

The **Atom Avalanche** took a stressful six periods of hockey to win the first game of league play-offs! At 4:59 in the third overtime period, Konnor Poirtras scored the winning goal to beat Vermilion in

their own barn 3-2 in game 1 of the Atom 1B league championship series!! Vermilion comes to our house for Game 2 at 6 p.m. on Tuesday. Keep it going Atom players and coaches! You have proven you have perseverance!

Carrie Baumgardner reports that a very good last home game was played by our **Micro Novice Avalanche**. They worked hard against Bonnyville and had fun doing it. Goals were scored by Wyatt Fontaine with a hat trick, Remington Reynolds, Jonathan McAleese, and Jaxon Smith, who also had one assist, and another assist coming from Thomas Melnyk. Some very good saves were had in net by all the players. We also had fun with a shoot out for all the kids. The season's last Micro Novice game will be next weekend in Marwayne.